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§ 301.81-4 Interstate movement of regulated articles from quarantined areas.

- (a) Any regulated article may be moved interstate from a quarantined area into or through an area that is not quarantined only if moved under the following conditions:
- (1) With a certificate or limited permit issued and attached in accordance with §§ 301.81-5 and 301.81-9 of this subpart;
- (2) Without a certificate or limited permit, provided that each of the following conditions is met:
- (i) The regulated article was moved into the quarantined area from an area that is not quarantined;
- (ii) The point of origin is indicated on a waybill accompanying the regulated article:

- (iii) The regulated article is moved through the quarantined area (without stopping except for refueling, or for traffic conditions, such as traffic lights or stop signs), or has been stored, packed, or parked in locations inaccessible to the imported fire ant, or in locations that have been treated in accordance with the methods and procedures prescribed in the Appendix to this subpart ("III. Regulatory Procedures"), while in or moving through any quarantined area; and
- (iv) The article has not been combined or commingled with other articles so as to lose its individual identity; or
- (3) Without a certificate or limited permit provided the regulated article is a soil sample being moved to a laboratory approved by the Administrator³ to process, test, or analyze soil samples.
- (b) Inspectors are authorized to stop any person or means of conveyance moving in interstate commerce they have probable cause to believe is moving regulated articles, and to inspect the articles being moved and the means of conveyance. Articles found to be infested by an inspector, and articles not in compliance with the regulations in this subpart, may be seized, quarantined, treated, subjected to other remedial measures, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of. Any treatments will be in accordance with the methods and procedures prescribed in the Appendix to this subpart (III. Regulatory Procedures), or in accordance with the methods and procedures prescribed in part 305 of this chapter.

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§ 301.81-5 Issuance of a certificate or limited permit.

- (a) An inspector ⁴ or person operating under a compliance agreement will issue a certificate for the interstate movement of a regulated article approved under such compliance agreement if he or she determines that the regulated article:
- (1) Is eligible for unrestricted movement under all other applicable Federal domestic plant quarantines and regulations;
- (2) Is to be moved interstate in compliance with any additional conditions deemed necessary under section 414 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7714) to prevent the spread of the imported fire ant; 5 and
- (3)(i) Is free of an imported fire ant infestation, based on his or her visual examination of the article;
- (ii) Has been grown, produced, manufactured, stored, or handled in a manner that would prevent infestation or destroy all life stages of the imported fire ant; or
- (iii) Has been treated in accordance with methods and procedures prescribed in the Appendix to this subpart ("III. Regulatory Procedures").
- (b) An inspector will issue a limited permit for the interstate movement of a regulated article not eligible for a certificate if the inspector determines that the regulated article:
- (1) Is to be moved interstate to a specified destination for specified handling, utilization, or processing (the destination and other conditions to be listed in the limited permit), and this interstate movement will not result in

³Criteria that laboratories must meet to become approved to process, test, or analyze soil, and the list of currently approved laboratories, may be obtained from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Domestic and Emergency Operations, 4700 River Road Unit 134, Riverdale, Maryland 20737–1236.

⁴Inspectors are assigned to local offices of APHIS, which are listed in local telephone directories. Information on local offices may also be obtained from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Domestic and Emergency Operations, 4700 River Road Unit 134, Riverdale, Maryland 20737–1236.

⁵An inspector may hold, seize, quarantine, treat, apply other remedial measures to, destory, or otherwise dispose of plants, plant pests, or other articles in accordance with sections 414, 421, and 434 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7714, 7731, and 7754).